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HOUSE BILL NO. 121

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE FREDERICK.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 191.603, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the health professional student loan repayment program.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 191.603, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 191.603, to read as follows:

191.603. As used in sections 191.600 to 191.615, the following terms shall mean:

- (1) "Areas of defined need", areas designated by the department pursuant to section 191.605, when services of a **primary care** physician, chiropractor or **general** dentist are needed to improve the patient-health professional ratio in the area, to contribute health care professional services to an area of economic impact, or to contribute health care professional services to an area suffering from the effects of a natural disaster;
- (2) "Chiropractor", a person licensed and registered pursuant to chapter 331;
- (3) "Department", the department of health and senior services;
- (4) "General dentist", dentists licensed and registered pursuant to chapter 332 engaged in general dentistry and who are providing such services to the general population;
- (5) "Primary care physician", physicians licensed and registered pursuant to chapter 334 engaged in general **practice** or family [~~practice~~] **medicine**, internal medicine, **psychiatry**, pediatrics, or obstetrics and gynecology as their primary specialties, and who are providing such primary care services to the general population.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.